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E.O. 11652: M/A

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SUBJECT: COUNTERFEIT U.S. TEN DOLLAR BILLS

REF: ABIDJAN 1441 (NOTAL)

1. EMB UNDERSTANDS LIBERIAN NATIONAL POLICE FORCE HAS PICKED UP COUNTERFEIT RING PASSING FAKE U.S. TEN DOLLAR BILLS. NEWSPAPER REPORTS SAY PLATES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AND LARGE QUANTITY COUNTERFEIT SEIZED. AMERICAN BANK OFFICIAL CONFIRMS THAT BANKS ADVISED BY MINISTRY FINANCE SEVERAL DAYS AGO TO BE ON ALERT FOR COUNTERFEIT. BANKS SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THAT RING BROKENUP AND LARGE QUANTITY (VARYING REPORTS FROM \$35,000 TO \$100,000) COUNTERFEIT SEIZED. EMBASSY ATTEMPTING VERIFY AND OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION FROM MIN JUSTICE AND NATIONAL POLICE.

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2. EMBASSY CASHIER RECEIVED ONE COUNTERFEIT TEN DOLLAR BILL FROM LOCAL BANK AND RETURNED IT. SHE REPORTS BILL SERIES 2 AND CARRIED SERIAL NO. B43503638A. ON FACE OF BILL (SIDE WITH PORTRAIT) GREEN SEAL OVER WORD TEN MUCH TOO BRIGHT

AND LINES AROUND OUTER EDGE OF BILL LESS DISTINCT THAN ON
LEGITIMATE CURRENCY. ON OTHER SIDE OF BILL GREEN INK
APPEARED YELLOWISH. PAPER SLICK AND FELT SIMILAR PHOTOCOPY
PAPER.

3. WITH APPEARANCE COUNTERFEIT TEN DOLLAR BILLS IN IVORY
COAST (REFTEL) AND LARGE QUANTITIES WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN
PASSED IN LIBERIA, IT POSSIBLE THAT THEY MAY BE WIDESPREAD
THROUGH WEST AFRICA.
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